

I strongly oppose rulemaking changes that impose bandwidth limits on either SSB or AM modes.

Those of us in the Amateur Radio Service are privileged to have bandwidth on a number of divergent bands to carry on communications just about anywhere at any time. When individuals turn on their receivers and hear a crowded band and chose to operate in that crowded band and not another, they should expect congestion not rulemaking that would restrict another's privilege to operate.

The petition appears to be directed toward squelching those experimenters who are trying to achieve a better sound on the airwaves. Most of those experimenters can build, repair and modify equipment. I have always felt that those in the Amateur Radio Service who experiment with equipment and technology are a much better asset to the community at large during an emergency. The best emergency plans are usually challenged by Murphy's law and it has to be comforting to emergency coordinators to know that someone is on the communications team that can provide a work-around solution when something goes bump in the night.

Amateur Radio has always been self-policing, it's sad that the FCC has to get involved and spend time on a petition that sounds, to me at least, like several kids that can't play in the sandbox with the other kids.

Please put me down on the list of those who oppose RM-10740.

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